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SUBJECT: GUYANA OFFICIAL CALLS FOR THIRD WORLD SECRETARY GENERAL
FOR UN

1. THE MEXICO CITY PRESS JULY 27 QUOTES GUYANA'S MINISTER
OF TRADE, GEORGE KING AS SAYING: "THE NATIONS OF THE THIRD
WORLD MUST BEGIN WORKING NOW IN ORDER THAT THE NEXT SECRETARY
GENERAL OF THE UN IS ONE OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES AND TO PREVENT
THE FIVE(PERMANENT MEMBERS OF) THE SECURITY COUNCIL FROM
VETOING THIS." KING WENT ON TO SAY THAT IT IS HIGH TIME THE
INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS STOP DOMINATING THE UN.

2. WITH RESPECT TO ECHEVERRIA'S CANDIDACY, KING ASSERTED
MEXICO HAS WON THE RESPECT OF THE ENTIRE THIRD WORLD AND
THAT FOR GUYANA IT WILL BE A PLEASURE TO SUPPORT ECHEVERRIA'S
CANDIDACY FOR SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UN.

3. KING MADE HIS REMARKS ON ARRIVAL IN MEXICO JULY 26 WITH
A NINE-MAN ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL MISSION CALLED FOR IN THE JOINT
COMMUNIQUE WHICH PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM AND PRESIDENT
ECHEVERRIA SIGNED ON JULY 10 AT THE END OF THE LATTER'S
STATE VISIT TO GUYANA. INCLUDED IN THE GUYANA MISSION IS
MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE GAVIN KENNARD.

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4. COMMENT: KING'S STATEMENTS, COMING FAST ON THE HEELS
OF ECHEVERRIA'S VISIT TO GUYANA, ARE FURTHER EVIDENCE THAT
ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSES OF THE MEXICAN LEADER'S CURRENT
TOUR OF 14 NATIONS IS TO PROMOTE HIS CANDIDACY.
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